LAUREL COUNTY REPORT OF ENDANGERED, THREATENED, AND SPECIAL CONCERN PLANTS, ANIMALS, AND NATURAL COMMUNITIES OF KENTUCKY

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Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission Key for County List Report

Within a county, elements are arranged first by taxonomic complexity (plants first, natural communities last), and second by scientific name. A key to status, ranks, and count data fields follows.

STATUS

KSNPC: Kentucky State Nature Preserves Commission status:

USESA: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service status:

SOMC = Species of Management Concern

RANKS

GRANK: Estimate of element abundance on a global scale:

G1 = Critically imperiled GU = Unrankable

G2 = Imperiled G#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?)
G3 = Vulnerable G#Q = Questionable taxonomy

G4 = Apparently secure G#T# = Infraspecific taxa (Subspecies and variety abundances are coded with a 'T' suffix; the 'G'

G5 = Secure portion of the rank then refers to the entire species)

GH = Historic, possibly extinct GNR = Unranked GX = Presumed extinct GNA = Not applicable

SRANK: Estimate of element abundance in Kentucky:

S1 = Critically imperiled SU = Unrankable Migratory species may have separate ranks for different

S2 = Imperiled S#? = Inexact rank (e.g. G2?) population segments (e.g. S1B, S2N, S4M):

S3 = Vulnerable S#Q = Questionable taxonomy S#B = Rank of breeding population
S4 = Apparently secure S#T# = Infraspecific taxa S#N = Rank of non-breeding population
S5 = Secure SNR = Unranked S#M = Rank of transient population

SH = Historic, possibly extirpated SNA = Not applicable

SX = Presumed extirpated

COUNT DATA FIELDS

OF OCCURRENCES: Number of occurrences of a particular element from a county. Column headings are as follows:

- E currently reported from the county
- H reported from the county but not seen for at least 20 years
- F reported from county & cannot be relocated but for which further inventory is needed
- X known to be extirpated from the county
- U reported from a county but cannot be mapped to a quadrangle or exact location.

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County	Taxonomic Group	Scientific name	Common name	Statuses	Ranks		# of	Оссі	urren	ces
	Habitat					Е	Н	F	Χ	U
		Neckera pennata monly on the trunks of trees, sometimes on rock, rarely on the trunks, usually noted as narrow, on bark.	logs or stumps, in coniferous forests, often in	T / coves and wind ga	G5 / S2? ps in the mountains (0	1 Crum	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Mosses On soil humus and rocks in moist	Polytrichum pallidisetum	A Hair Cap Moss	Τ/	G4 / S2?	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Low, moist woods and slopes and	Aconitum uncinatum alluvial soils along streams in the Cumberland Plateau.	Blue Monkshood	Т/	G4 / S2	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants MOIST, SHELTERED (BEHIND D	Ageratina luciae-brauniae RIP LINE) BY SANDSTONE ROCKHOUSES.	Lucy Braun's White Snakeroot	S/SOMC	G3 / S3	17	1	3	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Bogs, swamps, savannas (Weakle	Bartonia virginica ey 1998); dry or wet acid soil; in KY, mossy seeps.	Yellow Screwstem	Т/	G5 / S2	3	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Xeric forests and woodlands, gene	Castanea pumila erally in fire-maintained habitats (Weakley 1998); dry or mo	Allegheny Chinkapin ist acid soil (Gleason & Cronquist 1991).	Т/	G5 / S2	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Sandy or rocky soil, plains, and pr	Ceanothus herbaceus airies (Gleason & Cronquist 1991); in KY, associated with s	Prairie Redroot sandstone boulder-cobble bars and limestone	T / cobble bars (Medle	G5 / S2 ey 1993).	5	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Disturbance (fire) mediated. river l	Comptonia peregrina pars, open woods, clearings and pastures, often on sandy s	Sweet-fern soil.	E/	G5 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants	Cypripedium kentuckiense undated floodplains of mid-sized or rarely large streams in s	Kentucky Lady's-slipper	E/SOMC	G3 / S1S2	4	1	1	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Bogs, mossy swamps and woods,	Cypripedium parviflorum wet shores; in KY, rich mesic forested slopes.	Small Yellow Lady's-slipper	Т/	G5 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
	Vascular Plants Peaty sites, occurring in the moun seeps, and peat-burn pools (Weal	Eriophorum virginicum tains in bogs and fens, in the piedmont (formerly) in bogs, ikley 1998).	Tawny Cotton-grass in the fall-line sandhills in burned-out pocosin	E / s, in the coastal pla	G5 / S1? in in pocosins, acidic	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Thickets in transition from open bo	Eurybia saxicastellii bulder-cobble bars to adjacent slope forest.	Rockcastle Aster	T/SOMC	G1G2 / S1S2	6	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Wet meadows, riverbank seeps, p	Gratiola pilosa ond margins, pine barrens; also sandy woods, clearings ar	Shaggy Hedgehyssop nd roadsides (Fernald 1970).	Т/	G5? / S2	2	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Marhes, pond margins and alluvia	Gratiola viscidula I woods (Fernald 1970); wet streambanks.	Short's Hedgehyssop	S/	G4G5 / S3	1	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Deciduous forests with acidic soil.	Hexastylis contracta	Southern Heartleaf	E/SOMC	G3 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Moist or dry sandy woods, meado	Hypericum crux-andreae ws and barrens. also pine flatwoods (Weakley 1998).	St. Peter's-wort	Т/	G5 / S2S3	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants MESIC WOODED RAVINES AND	Juglans cinerea ALONG STREAMS	White Walnut	S/SOMC	G3G4 / S3	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants Openings in seasonally moist fore	Lilium philadelphicum sts, prairies and roadsides.	Wood Lily	T /	G5 / S2S3	9	1	0	4	0

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Hal	bitat					Е	Н	F	Χ	U
Laurel Dar	Vascular Plants mp to dry sandy soil, wet mead	Lobelia nuttallii lows, sandy swamps.	Nuttall's Lobelia	Т/	G4G5 / S2	5	0	1	0	0
Laurel Bog	Vascular Plants gs or sandy banks in acid soils;	Lycopodiella appressa also savannas (Weakley 1998)	Southern Bog Clubmoss	E/	G5 / S1	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel Dry	Vascular Plants to moist open soil, thickets, we	Platanthera cristata oods, and bogs, moist open ephemeral streamheads, ponc	Yellow-crested Orchid margins.	Т/	G5 / S1S2	1	1	0	0	0
Laurel Par	Vascular Plants tial shade or open seepage are	Platanthera integrilabia eas both wooded and herbaceous including swamps, flood	White Fringeless Orchid plain forests, seepage slopes.	E/C	G2G3 / S1	4	0	0	0	0
Laurel SW	Vascular Plants IFTLY FLOWING WATER, AT	Podostemum ceratophyllum TACHED TO ROCKS IN RAPIDS OF LARGER RIVERS	Threadfoot	S/	G5 / S3	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel Moi	Vascular Plants st rich woods (Cronq.1991)	Polygala paucifolia	Gaywings	E/	G5 / S1?	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel SW	Vascular Plants AMPS, BOGS, AND OPEN WI	Rhynchospora recognita ET SOIL.	Globe Beaked-rush	S/	G5? / S3	2	0	0	0	0
Laurel Moi	Vascular Plants st or wet ledges and rocky woo	Saxifraga michauxii ods in the mountains (Gleason & Cronquist 1991).	Michaux's Saxifrage	Т/	G4G5 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel SW	Vascular Plants AMPS AND OTHER MOIST P	Solidago gracillima PLACES(CRONQUIST); IN KY, OPEN ROCKY RIVER BAN	Southern Bog Goldenrod IKS.	S/	G4? / S2?	3	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants	Solidago simplex ssp. randii var. racemosa	Rand's Goldenrod	S/	G5T3? / S3	6	0	0	0	0
Laurel Rive	Vascular Plants erbanks and boulder/cobble ba	Spiraea virginiana ars that are periodically flood scoured.	Virginia Spiraea	T / LT	G2 / S2	10	0	0	0	0
Laurel Dry	Vascular Plants sandy open oak-pine woods a	Symphyotrichum concolor and barrens, and roadsides.	Eastern Silvery Aster	Т/	G5 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Vascular Plants	Vitis labrusca	Northern Fox Grape	S/	G5 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel Sar	Vascular Plants ndy deposits of rocky river shor	Vitis rupestris res.	Sand Grape	Τ/	G3 / S2	8	0	0	0	0
		Fumonelix wetherbyi EAF LITTER ON WOODED HILLSIDES AND IN RAVINES EP, FORESTED SLOPES ADJACENT TO CLIFFLINES, N				3	0	0	0	0
	Gastropods LL (1895) INDICATED THAT IN UNDANT "CONFERVOID" VEC	Leptoxis praerosa N THE OHIO RIVER AT THE FALLS IT OCCURRED IN TH GETATION.	Onyx Rocksnail HE GREATEST PROFUSION WHERE THE BO	S / SOMC OTTOM IS CLEAN	G5 / S3S4 I ROCK OR ROCK WIT	4 'H	0	0	0	0
		Alasmidonta atropurpurea idient, high quality streams usually in areas of near zero flod mud mixture (Harker et al. 1980, Call and Parmalee 1981		E / LE nd or boulder subst	G1G2 / S1 trate where it is usually	5	1	0	1	0
Laurel	Freshwater Mussels	Alasmidonta marginata	Elktoe	T/ SOMC	G4 / S2	4	3	0	0	0
191 sev	4). Sometimes found in lakes of eral inches to two feet. Buchar	reams but more typical of smaller streams (Buchanan 1980 connected to rivers. Parmalee (1967) reported the preferre nan (1980) found this species to be common in gravel and Cumberland River than in small streams.	d habitat to be small streams with good curren	t sand or gravel bo	ottoms, and depth of	oe .				

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	Habitat					E	Н	F	Χ	U
Laurel	Freshwater Mussels INHABITS SAND, SILT, MUD, AN STREAMS.	Anodontoides denigratus D SMALL GRAVEL OFTEN NEAR COBBLE AN	Cumberland Papershell ND BOULDERS IN POOLS AND RUNS WITH SLOW	E / SOMC CURRENT IN SMALL	G1 / S1 TO MEDIUM-SIZED	2	0	0	2	0
Laurel	3 ,	Epioblasma brevidens d rivers with clean-swept rubble, gravel, and sail indicated that E. brevidens remains buried in the	Cumberlandian Combshell nd substrates (Wilson and Clark 1914, Neel and Allen ne substrate except during spawning.	E / LE 1964, Bogan and Par	G1 / S1 malee 1983, Ahlstedt	0 1984	0	0	2	0
Laurel			Oyster Mussel E, GRAVEL AND SAND (WILSON AND CLARK 1914, RATE DURING CERTAIN TIMES OF THE YEAR (GO		G1 / S1 964, AHLSTEDT 1984	0	0	0	1	0
Laurel	Freshwater Mussels GRAVEL BARS AND DEEP POO ALLEN 1964, PARMALEE 1967).	Fusconaia subrotunda subrotunda LS IN LARGE RIVERS AND LARGE TO MEDIL	Longsolid JM-SIZED STREAMS (AHLSTEDT 1984, GOODRICH	S / AND VAN DER SCH	G3T3 / S3 ALIE 1944, NEEL AN	0 D	0	0	1	0
Laurel			Pocketbook 967, Stansbery 1976), but occurs in medium-sized stre Rivers specimens were taken in deep water (6-10 feet			0 e	0	1	1	0
Laurel		Pegias fabula n cool water. Found in pools and riffles on and s l, Stansbery 1976, Starnes and Starnes 1980, V	Littlewing Pearlymussel cometimes buried in sand and gravel substrate or under Vilson and Clark 1914).	E / LE er large rocks (Bogan a	G1 / S1 and Parmalee 1983,	3	2	1	0	0
			Tennessee Clubshell and Rivers)(Ortmann 1925, Stansbery 1976), but is re ity of riffles and shoals, generally in shallow water (Go			2	3	1	0	0
	1984, Bogan and Parmalee 1983)		Fluted Kidneyshell e, gravel, and sand substrates in shallow riffles and shors and never occurs in standing pools or slack water. Strent.				1	1	1	0
Laurel	Freshwater Mussels SMALL TO LARGE RIVERS WITH PARMALEE 1983).	Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica H SAND, GRAVEL, AND COBBLE AND MODER	Rabbitsfoot RATE TO SWIFT CURRENT, SOMETIMES IN DEEP	T / SOMC WATER (PARMALEE	G3T3 / S2 1967, BOGAN AND	0	0	0	1	0
Laurel		•	Purple Lilliput 1944, PARMALEE 1967, STANSBERY 1976, LAURIT: 6 IN SHALLOW RUNNING WATER WAS THE PREFE	,	G2 / S1 EE (1967) REPORTE	2 D ITS	0	3	1	0
Laurel	Freshwater Mussels INHABITS SMALL TO MEDIUM-S	Villosa lienosa IZED RIVERS, USUALLY IN SHALLOW WATE	Little Spectaclecase R ON A SAND/MUD/DETRITUS BOTTOM (PARMAL	S / EE 1967, GORDON A	G5 / S3S4 ND LAYZER 1989).	0	0	0	1	0
Laurel		Villosa trabalis D MEDIUM-SIZED STREAMS WITH SLOW TO 1981, BOGAN AND PARMALEE 1983).	Cumberland Bean MODERATE CURRENT, BUT ALSO HISTORICALLY	E / LE KNOWN FROM BAR	G1 / S1 S IN THE MAINSTRE	40 EAM	6	12	0	0
Laurel	Insects STREAMS IN THE OZARK MOUN	<i>Dannella provonshai</i> NTAINS AND APPALACHINA PLATEAU (RAND	An Ephemerellid Mayfly OOLPH AND MCCAFFERTY 1998).	H /	G3G4 / SH	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Insects DRY OAK, OAK-HICKORY, OR S	Lytrosis permagnaria CRUB, SOMETIMES WITH SOUTHERN PINES	A Geometrid Moth S IN CANOPY. MAY BE RESTRICTED TO OLD-GRO	E / SOMC WTH AREAS (SCHW	G3G4 / S1 EITZER 1989).	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Insects SAND AND GRAVEL IN SWIFTLY	Ophiogomphus howei Y FLOWING, UNPOLLUTED AND UNDAMMED	Pygmy Snaketail RIVERS (CARLE 1987, COOK 1992).	T/SOMC	G3 / S1S2	3	1	0	0	0

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l	Habitat					E	Н	F	X	U
Laurel	Insects	Polygonia faunus	Green Comma	H /	G5 / SH	0	1	0	0	0
	•		isture from dirt roads or in glades or outcrops. Not regu t deciduous forests (e.g. around Philadelphia) are in er	•	st south of where spruce	and				
Laurel l	Insects _ARGE-RIVER SPECIES (SCHW	Stylurus notatus EITZER 1989).	Elusive Clubtail	E/SOMC	G3 / S1	0	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Fishes	Etheostoma cinereum	Ashy Darter	S / SOMC	G2G3 / S3	27	1	0	0	0
		oderate current, usually associated with cover (eand Etnier 1980). Most often found in pools or ed	.g., boulders, snags, detritus)(Branson and Schuster 19 dies near shore.	983, Comiskey and	Etnier 1972, Saylor 198	0,				
Laurel	Fishes	Ichthyomyzon greeleyi	Mountain Brook Lamprey	Τ/	G3G4 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
		DIUM-SIZE STREAMS WITH HIGH GRADIENT A ESE STREAMS IN SAND, MUD, AND ORGANIC	AND MIXED SAND AND GRAVEL BOTTOMS (BURR A C DEBRIS.	AND WARREN 1986	6). AMMOCOETES LIV	E IN				
Laurel	Fishes	Percina squamata	Olive Darter	E/SOMC	G3 / S1	3	0	0	0	0
		with high gradient chutes and deep riffles compoto rivers (Kuehne and Barbour 1983, Page 1983	osed of cobble and boulders (Burr and Warren 1986, E , Burr and Warren 1986).	tnier and Starnes 19	993). Occasionally in the)				
Laurel	Fishes	Phenacobius uranops	Stargazing Minnow	S/	G4 / S2S3	0	1	0	0	0
	NHABITS MEDIUM-SIZE STREA WARREN 1986).	MS TO SMALL RIVERS WITH HIGH GRADIEN	T, PERMANENT FLOW, CLEAR WATER, AND PEBBI	LE AND GRAVEL S	UBSTRATES (BURR A	ND				
Laurel	Fishes	Phoxinus cumberlandensis	Blackside Dace	T / LT	G2 / S2	4	1	0	0	0
5		rubble with some areas of silty sand. Current is	tation and with cool water (<20 C) much of year. Width moderate to sluggish. Usually in association with consi	•	•					
Laurel	Reptiles	Eumeces anthracinus	Coal Skink	Т/	G5 / S2	1	0	0	0	0
(clearcuts, highway and powerline	rights-of-way (Hulse et al. 2001), rocky bluffs abo	loose rocks; often the lizard occurs in the vicinity of spove creek valleys, dry, rocky, south-facing hillsides (Joley take refuge in water. One nest was under a piece of	hnson 2000), and dr	y shale barrens (West	s				
Laurel	Reptiles OPEN WOODLANDS, EDGES.	Eumeces inexpectatus	Southeastern Five-lined Skink	S/	G5 / S3	2	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Breeding Birds	Accipiter striatus	Sharp-shinned Hawk	S/	G5 / S3B,S4N	1	0	0	0	0
F	FOREST AND OPEN WOODLAN	D, CONIFEROUS, MIXED, OR DECIDUOUS, P	RIMARILY IN CONIF. IN MORE NORTHERN AND MC GES, LAKESHORES, & COASTLINES (B83NAT01NA		FION OF RANGE (B83					
Laurel	Breeding Birds	Aimophila aestivalis	Bachman's Sparrow	E / SOMC	G3 / S1B	0	0	0	1	0
	OPEN PINE WOODS WITH SCAT GRASSY ORCHARDS.	ITERED BUSHES OR UNDERSTORY, BRUSH	Y OR OVERGROWN HILLSIDES, OVERGROWN FIE	LDS WITH THICKE	TS AND BRAMBLES,					
Laurel	Breeding Birds	Ammodramus henslowii	Henslow's Sparrow	S/SOMC	G4 / S3B	1	0	0	0	0
			JBBY VEG., ESPEC. IN DAMP OR LOW-LYING AREA PINE WOODS OR SECOND-GROWTH WOODS.	AS, ADJACENT TO	SALT MARSH IN SOMI	E				
Laurel	Breeding Birds	Cistothorus platensis	Sedge Wren	S/	G5 / S3B	0	1	0	0	0
(Grasslands and savanna, especia	lly where wet or boggy, sedge marshes, locally i	n dry cultivated grainfields. In migration and winter also	in brushy grassland	*					
Laurel	Breeding Birds	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Bald Eagle	T/LT	G5 / S2B,S2S3 N	1	0	0	0	0
F	PRIMARILY NEAR SEACOASTS,	RIVERS, AND LARGE LAKES. PREFERENTIA	ALLY ROOSTS IN CONIFERS IN WINTER IN SOME A	REAS. IN WINTER,	MAY ASSOCIATE WIT	Н				

PRIMARILY NEAR SEACOASTS, RIVERS, AND LARGE LAKES. PREFERENTIALLY ROOSTS IN CONIFERS IN WINTER IN SOME AREAS. IN WINTER, MAY ASSOCIATE WITH WATERFOWL CONCENTRATIONS OR CONGREGATE IN AREAS WITH ABUNDANT DEAD FISH (B82GRI01NA).

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	Habitat					Е	Н	F	Χ	U
	Mammals Rafinesque's big-eared bats use a buildings, etc. Apparently less frec	Corynorhinus rafinesquii a variety of sites for roosting including caves, protected site quently use tree cavities.	Rafinesque's Big-eared Bat s along clifflines, old mine portals, abandoned t	S / SOMC unnels, cisterns, o	G3G4 / S3 ld or seldom used	13	0	0	0	0
Laurel I	Mammals Prime habitat unknown. Seems to	Mustela nivalis occur in farmland.	Least Weasel	S/	G5 / S2S3	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Mammals Gray bats use primarily caves thro	Myotis grisescens bughout the year, although they move from one cave to and	Gray Myotis other seasonally. Males and young of the year to	T / LE use different caves	G3 / S2 in summer than female	1 es.	0	0	0	0
	•	Myotis leibii ts. They occur in caves, mines, protected sites along clifflin abitat is currently unknown, but may be similar sites.	Eastern Small-footed Myotis es, abandoned buildings, and are occasionally	T / SOMC found roosting und	G3 / S2 der rocks on the ground	1 I or	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Appalachian acid seep		1	GNR / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Appalachian mesophytic forest		1	GNR / S5	1	1	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Appalachian pine-oak forest		/	GNR / S5	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Bottomland hardwood forest		/	GNR / S2	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Cumberland plateau gravel/cobble bar		1	GNR / S2	3	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Hemlock-mixed forest		1	GNR / S5	1	0	0	0	0
Laurel	Communities	Riparian forest		1	GNR / S3	1	0	0	0	0

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